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SUBJECT: MEDIA REACTION REPORT : SHULTZ/DENT VISIT

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1. OCT 5-6 VISIT OF SECRETARIES SHULTZ AND DENT TO YUGO-SLAVIA HAS ATTRACTED CONSIDERABLE PRE-ARRIVAL NEWS COVERAGE. REPORTS EMPHASIZE IMPORTANCE OF VISIT.

2. BELGRADE'S DAILY ECONOMIC JOURNAL PRIVREDNI PREGLED OCT 5 FRONTPAGES WITH PICTURE SHULTZ/DENT INTERVIEW (REFTEL), WHICH WAS ALSO RELEASED THROUGH TANJUG NEWS AGENCY. EXCERPTS OF INTERVIEW APPEARED OCT 5 IN TANJUG BULLETIN, SARAJEVO DIALY OSLOBODJENJE, LJUB-LJANA'S DELO, NOVI SAD'S DNEVNIK AND ALSO ON BELGRADE TV NEWS EVENING OCT 4.

E. BELGRADE DAILY POLITIKA, OCT5, INCLUDES ALEKSANDAR NENADOVIC EDIT, WITH VIEW THAT VISIT OF US. ECONOMIC POLICY LEADERS
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WILL CONTINUE DIALOGUE BEGAN DURING VISIT OF VICE-PRESIDENT

SIROTKOVIC TO U.S., AND WILL INCLUDE POLITICAL AS WELL AS ECONOMIC DISCUSSIONS. NENADOVIC CITES CONCLUSION OF RECENT BI-LATERAL AGREEMENTS AS POSITIVE EVIDENCE "OF MUTUAL UNDERSTANDING AND RESPECT FOR COMMON INTERESTS, WHICH PROVIDES SOLID BASE FOR PRESENT DIALOGUE."

4. ZAGREB DAILY VJESNIK OCT 5, IN COMMENTARY BY LJUBO DJORIC, ALSO CITES IMPORTANCE OF VISIT FROM BOTH ECONOMIC AND POLITICAL VIEWPOINTS. COMMENTARY STATES THAT US-GOY RELATIONS "HAVE TAKEN FAVORABLE COURSE BECAUSE THEY ARE FOUNDED ON 'WASHINGTON DECLARATION' SIGNED BY NIXON AND TITO." BELGRADE TALKS WILL AGAIN CONFIRM PRINCIPLES OF DECLARATION, WRITES DJORIC, AND U.S. INTEREST IN "SOCIALIST AND NON-ALIGNED YUGOSLAVIA, IN EUROPE AND BEYOND." COMMENTARY ADDS, "IT WILL BE INTERESTING TO LEARN VIEW OF U.S. OFFICIALS" ON DEMAND STATED AT ALGIERS CONFERENCE THAT INTERNATIONAL ECONOMIC RELATIONS "MUST BECOME MORE DEMOCRATIC AND EQUAL, IN ORDER TO LESSEN DIFFERENCES BETWEEN DEVELOPED AND LESS DEVELOPED NATIONS."
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